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Abstract

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Welcome to the 2008-2009 edition of the *Undergraduate Economic Review*. This volume is the fifth publication of one of the few undergraduate journals in existence which solicits articles from the brightest undergraduate economics students across the globe. As always, this year's staff of editors and article referees has worked tirelessly to maintain the high standards that have come to be expected of the *UER*. The most significant change for the journal this year is the switch to the Digital Commons host site. This will make submissions and article retrieval run more smoothly in the future.

This year we have received many diverse submissions, though it should not surprise the reader to know that many papers have focused on the current economic recession. [insert specific comments on accepted articles].

The current edition of the *Undergraduate Economic Review* would not have been possible without the collaboration and dedication of many hard-working individuals, and I would like to take this opportunity to thank the staff. Specifically I would like to thank Teodora Petrova, Managerial Editor, for all of her help in organizing the journal and networking with outside institutions. Thanks also to our Illinois Wesleyan faculty advisor, Dr. Mike Seeborg, who has watched and guided this project through its inception five years ago. Finally, thank you to all of our faculty advisors and student referees at Illinois Wesleyan University, Randolph College, and Washington and Lee University for their commitment to quality undergraduate research.

The *Undergraduate Economic Review* continues to employ a blind review process for article submissions. We believe this ensures that the best articles are published, regardless of their originating institution. As a result we present to you articles from a diverse offering of colleges and universities from across the country and around the globe.

I hope you enjoy this year's edition of the *Undergraduate Economic Review*!

Anna Konradi
Editor-in-Chief